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MEMORANDUM

TO: Commissioner Susan Cooper, Department of Health
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CC: Commissioner Dave Goetz, Department of Finance & Administration
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TennCare Oversight Committee
Selection Panel for TennCare Reviewers

FROM: Commissioner Leslie A. Newman *Leslie A. Newman*

DATE: May 1, 2008

RE: Report of Requests for Independent Review Pursuant to the TennCare Prompt Pay Act, Tenn. Code Ann. § 56-32-226(b)(5)

Please find attached the Annual Report of Requests for TennCare Independent Reviews for calendar year 2007.

Pursuant to the TennCare Prompt Pay Act, Tenn. Code Ann. § 56-32-226(b)(5), the Commissioner of Commerce and Insurance shall report to the Department of Health and to the Joint Fiscal Review Committee the number of requests for TennCare claims review filed for each health maintenance organization operating a TennCare line of business during the prior calendar year and the general outcome of these independent review requests. The Commissioner shall also report the name of any provider whose claim denial is upheld in more than fifty percent (50%) of submitted claim reviews as well as the number of claim reviews lost by that provider.

In addition, the TennCare Prompt Pay Act is applicable to the prepaid limited health service organizations (PLHSOs) participating in the TennCare program pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 56-51-154 so their information is included in this report. Although Doral Dental is not subject by statute to the TennCare Prompt Pay Act, it is included in the report pursuant to its contract with the TennCare Bureau.

If you have any questions, please contact Assistant Commissioner Lisa Jordan, TennCare Division, at (615) 741-2677.

Enclosure

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ANNUAL REPORT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
AND FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE
OF REQUESTS FOR TENNCARE CLAIMS REVIEW
FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2007

Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 56-32-226(b)(5):

Number of requests for TennCare claims review filed for each TennCare health maintenance organization (HMO) and behavioral health organization (BHO) during the 2007 calendar year:

<u>Name Of HMO/BHO</u>	<u>Number of Requests</u>	<u>Outcome of Each Request*</u>
AmeriGroup	1	1 Provider
Doral Dental	None	N/A
Memphis Managed Care Corporation d/b/a TLC Family Care	2	1 Provider 1 Ineligible
Premier Behavioral Systems of Tennessee, LLC	1	1 Settlement(s) For Provider
Preferred Health Partnership of Tennessee, Inc.	16	2 Provider 4 MCO 1 Settlement(s) For Provider 9 Ineligible
Tennessee Behavioral Health, Inc.	2	1 Provider 1 Ineligible
Unison Health Plan Formerly known as Better Health Plans, Inc.	43	6 Provider 2 MCO 1 MCO in Part /Provider in Part 6 Settlement(s) For Provider 28 Ineligible
UAHC of TN Formerly known as OmniCare Health Plan, Inc.	None	N/A
UnitedHealthcare Plan of the River Valley, Inc. Formerly known as John Deere Health Plan, Inc.	3	2 Provider 1 Ineligible
Volunteer State Health Plan, Inc.	1	1 Provider
Windsor Health Plan formerly Victory Health Plans, Inc.		
*out of business as of 4-1-07	None	N/A
Assorted MCOs	1	1 Ineligible
Total Number of Requests	70	

Name of provider whose claim denial is upheld in more than fifty percent (50%) of the independent review requests, as well as the number of claim reviews lost by that provider:

Name of Provider

Number of Claims Review and Outcome*

East Tennessee Surgical Group, P.C.

1 Review(s) Submitted:

1 Denial(s) Upheld

Women's Center of Greenville

1 Review(s) Submitted:

1 Denial(s) Upheld

***Description of Outcome Information:**

Ineligible – The independent review request did not meet the statutory guidelines for eligibility. The providers are notified of their ineligible status and are given the opportunity to correct the deficiencies.

MCO – The Independent Reviewer found that the claim was properly denied by the MCO.

Provider – The Independent Reviewer found that the claim was properly filed by the Provider and the claim should be paid by the MCO.

Claim Denial Upheld – The Independent Reviewer found that the MCO properly denied the claim.